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SUBJECT: CODEL DIGGS

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1. EMBASSY WELCOMES VISIT OF CODEL DIGGS. FSO DAN STRASSER WILL BE CONTROL OFFICER FOR RIO. POLITICAL COUNSELOR DIEGO ASENCIO WILL BE CONTROL OFFICER FOR BRASILIA.

2. DURING RIO STOPOVER ON NOVEMBER 18 ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE FOR MORNING SIGHTSEEING. DOES CODEL WANT HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR JUST FEW HOURS IN RIO? (IF NOT, CONGEN OFFERS HIS RESIDENCE FOR REFRESHING AFTER LONG NIGHT JOURNEY.) ALSO CONSUL GENERAL AND MRS. BOONSTRA EXTEND INVITATION TO PARTY FOR AN INFORMAL LUNCHEON AT CONSUL GENERAL'S RESIDENCE AT 1 P.M. ON DAY OF ARRIVAL. PARTY WOULD LEAVE CONGEN RESIDENCE DIRECTLY FOR AIRPORT.

3. AMBASSADOR AND MRS. CRIMMINS INVITE CONGRESSMAN DIGGS TO STAY AT THEIR RESIDENCE ON THE NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 18. RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED AT NATIONAL HOTEL FOR PARTY.

4. EMBASSY ATTEMPTING TO ARRANGE COURTESY CALL ON PRESIDENT MEDICI. HOWEVER, PRESIDENT IS TRAVELLING AND AUTHORITATIVE
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RESPONSE WILL PROBABLY NOT BE RECEIVED UNTIL MONDAY, NOV 19.

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IN VIEW OF SHORT NOTICE AND FACT THAT PRESIDENT DOES NOT
RECEIVE CALLERS ON MONDAYS, WE BELIEVE IT UNLIKELY THAT CALL
CAN BE SCHEDULED.

5. AMBASSADOR CRIMMINS WOULD LIKE TO HOST A LUNCHEON IN
HONOR OF CONGRESSMAN DIGGS ON NOVEMBER 19. GUESTS WOULD
INCLUDE SEVERAL SENIOR BRAZILIAN MILITARY OFFICERS, SENIOR
FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIALS AND CONGRESSIONAL LEADERS.

6. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE FOR CODEL DIGGS IN BRASILIA:

NOVEMBER 19 -
9:00 CALL ON AMBASSADOR.
9:15 EMBASSY BRIEFING.
10:30 VISIT CONGRESS - CALL ON PRESIDENT OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.
MEET WITH FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES.
11:30 CALL ON PRESIDENT OF SENATE. MEETING WITH SENATE FOREIGN
RELATIONS COMMITTEE.
1:00 LUNCHEON HOSTED BY AMB. CRIMMINS.
3:00 - 5:00 ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL BRIEFING AT FOREIGN MINISTRY.

7. SENIOR FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIALS NOT AVAILABLE IN
BRASILIA ON NOVEMBER 19. MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND
INDUSTRY DOES NOT DEAL WITH REGIONAL TRADE PROBLEMS.
INSTEAD EMBASSY RECOMMENDS CODEL MEET WITH OFFICIALS OF
EXPORT DEPARTMENT OF BANK OF BRAZIL (LOCATED IN RIO).
IF CODEL AGREES CONSULATE GENERAL RIO WILL ARRANGE
MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND BANK OF BRAZIL MEETINGS ON
NOVEMBER 20 INCLUDING TOP FINANCE MINISTRY OFFICIALS FOR
INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS IF AVAILABLE.

8. ALSO NOVEMBER 20, IF CODEL WISHES, CONSULATE GENERAL
COULD ARRANGE A WORKING LUNCHEON WITH A NUMBER OF
BRAZILIANS INTERESTED IN AFRICA SUCH AS DIRECTOR BRAZILIAN
COFFEE INSTITUTE, DIRECTOR AFRO-ORIENTAL INSTITUTE,
INTERNATIONAL EDITOR OF JORNAL DO BRASIL, AS AVAILABLE.

9. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE INDICATION OF CODEL'S
DESIRES BY OPENING OF BUSINESS NOVEMBER 16.
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